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Town Hall Club, 123 West 43rd St., N.Y.C.

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One of the questions which may be put to the United Nations and on which there has been a world congress here in New York is that of the Armenian provinces of Turkey. This is one of those minority problems which usually escapes notice or the attention of the press in general.

SPEAKER --

MIHRAN T. KALAJDJIAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE POLITICAL ACTIVITY
OF THE ARMENIAN NATIONAL UNION OF AMERICA.

Mr. Kalaidjian, one of the leaders in the Armenian movement in this country, and an authority on Turkey and Asia Minor, will discuss the Armenian Provinces and Their Relation to World Peace.

Many of our members have recently been to Turkey and know the history of Armenia, so the discussion will be a good one.

Craig Thompson, correspondent of Time Life International, has just returned from Russia and is expected to attend this meeting and talk to Club members.

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At the first meeting of the Board of governors for this current year, it was voted that the vacancy caused by a tie for the thirteenth member of the Board should be declared vacant--- until further action by the Governors.

Bob Considine, new president and just back from covering the Kentucky Derby, said that the mint juleps which were served there should have had a skull and crossbones on them.

Considine appointed several heads of committees, members of which will be announced later.

Ways and Means....Chairman, Egbert White, publisher of the UN World.

Admissions, Frederic K. Abbott, consultant on newsreel for the United Nations.

Membership, Leo Branham of the Associated Press.

House, Bruno Shaw, who will also continue as chairman of the Freedom of the News Committee.

The Hagstrom Company, through the good offices of Ken Porter, have provided the club with a special map of the world on a pin board back on which members will be able to see at a glance where our people are located overseas.

Florence Gilliam whom we have missed very much recently writes from Paris that she is back in her old apartment at the Hotel Crillon and working with the American Aid to France. Florence says that the chestnut trees under the April sun have their usual "douceur".....(God help us poor b..... working in New York.)

Members of the club feel keenly the loss of Bettina Bedwell, columnist for the New York Daily News and the syndicate, who died last week in New York. Bettina was one of the old crowd in Paris and her tall thin silhouette with the cigarette holder always in hand will be remembered always for the wit and kindness it masked.

Blanche Naylor Daniell has written all of the articles for the programs printed in six languages of the State Department's foreign broadcasts. She also sends out to foreign countries a series of feature articles each month on outstanding personalities who appear on the Voice of the United States of America.



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Gordon Waterfield, head representative of the Kelmsley Newspapers in the U. S. has given two very successful parties for visiting British journalists in the clubrooms. Everyone seems to think that our new club is ideal for this kind of hospitality and so any members wishing to have the club for a special party should call the club office to make the arrangements.

Henry Gellerman is off to Europe on a writing assignment. He will be gone for several months and will attend the conference of the International Organization of Journalists in Prague in June.

Edward P. Morgan authors the article "Dithers in the Dardanelles" in the May 10th issue of Colliers. Ed tells about the war of nerves which Russia and Turkey are waging over the strategic straits.

Howard Whitman in the same issue of Collier's records the story of Frank J. Wilson, former chief of the U. S. Secret Service and his part in the Lindbergh Kidnapping.

After the Shirer-Murrow luncheon, two of our members found themselves on a plane bound for Texas and a story. They were Hal Boyle of AP and John Daly of CBS.

Thanks to the following members for sending their publications to the office: Joe Phillips for Newsweek; George Kent for Reader's Digest; Dick Chaplin for Collier's; and John Alicoate for the Radio Daily and the Film Daily.

Lee Hainer is the President of the Fourth (Ivy) Division Association of New York. He was in the 58th infantry in the last war.

John Barkham, of Time Magazine, flew to South Africa last week for a short visit to his home there. He will return in the early part of June.

Ralph Forte of the United Press was reported in the hospital for a check-up last week, but he was out before he could receive any flowers

Bill Shirer and Louis Lochner appeared on the Town Meeting of the Air program of May 1st to discuss the subject "What Shall We Do about Germany Now?".

Russell Hill, of the New York Herald Tribune has written a report on his post war observations in Germany which Harper will bring out in the fall under the title "The Struggle For Germany."



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Carroll Colvin, OPC Member, says that if daily ads in the N. Y. Times cannot uncover an unfurnished apartment for rent, maybe a few lines in the OPC Bulletin can, so she offers in print a case of scotch to the club if some good hearted club minded member leads her to a landlord with a lease. --- For an abode with 2 or more bedrooms - up to \$150 a month.....

Mary Heaton Vorse is doing a study of the Trade Union Movement in Italy and Germany with especial emphasis on its political implications. She is one of the few women who reported World Wars I and II.

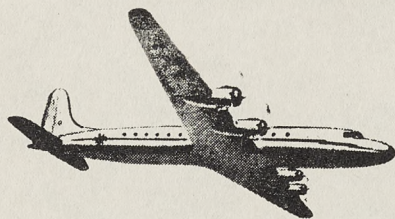
Joe Isreals II writes from Vienna that General Tate who has been in Austria on our front lines with Russia will be returning soon to this country and should make a top speaker for the club. Tate is a Brig. General and served formerly with the Fifth Army in Italy.

Mrs. Hortense MacDonald, formerly with Lennen & Mitchell, has joined Robert W. Orr & Associates, Inc. and will be in charge of public relations.

Eleanor Packard will be arriving soon from China with husband "Pack" Reynolds Packard. A story appearing in Time Magazine reports that Pack was fired from UP for sending too many phony stories from the Orient. Our member, Walter Rundle, of UP in Shanghai, was sent specially by Hugh Baillie (according to the Time story) to Peiping to break the news..... When the Packards get home, they will finish two books, one "Dust Against the Sun" on a sort of happy though married theme and then another "History For Sale", which is to be a Hucksters fashion story on the news agencies.

Reuben Henry Markham, formerly of the Christian Science Monitor, spoke at the National Womens' Republican Club last week. He appeared on a program with Arthur Bliss Lane.

Paul C. Smith, editor and general manager of the San Francisco Chronicle, told Editor and Publisher recently that he has used reporter editorial writers very effectively on his paper. When a story of straight news seems to be worthy of editorial handling, Smith sends one of his editorial writers right to the spot to investigate.



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About seventy five members and guests attended the luncheon at the Town Hall Club on April 30th to hear about the Byrd expedition in the Arctic.

Fred Sparks of Look magazine and Al Blakeslee of AP regaled the audience with the love life of the penguins, constant companions of the expedition. (Details can be obtained only at the bar of the club.)

Walter Sullivan of the New York Times described the three parts of the expeditions, the East, the West and the Central from which most of the flying into Central Little America was made. Of the reported two million square miles territory down at the South Pole, it is estimated that about 900,000 square miles were covered during the expedition. But the planes used were army surplus and did not stand up very well. Furthermore, the ceiling at certain times becomes one mass of gray so that where the sky, earth or landing fields began was a matter of pure guesswork--- which proved expensive for men and material.

Sparks told of the iceberg which moved into the port where his ship was anchored and the desperate manoeuvres of the crew to get out of the harbor without being sunk.

Lee Carson asked about the temperature in Little America as compared with that of Alaska where she and several other OPC members had been recently. It would appear that Lee had the edge as far as the cold freeze is concerned. The Byrd expedition went to the South Pole during the so called summer period--- where planes would be confronted after miles of solid ice formations reaching to 10,000 feet in height with valleys of green and tundra.

Jack Le Vien will leave next week for a month's check-up in Germany, France and England to tighten Pathe News offices and outlets in Europe.

Ralph Ingersoll, former editor of PM and author of the best seller-"Top Secret" is at work on a novel, his first book length attempt at fiction. Contrary to rumor, it will not have a war background.

ATTENTION.... An OPC member would like to contact another member now in South America or expecting to go there, who may be interested in doing some ground work on the distribution of syndicate news, comics and features to South American newspapers.

Hester E. Hensell, Editor.

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